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## BY HAND

Alva E. Smith, Esq. Office of the General Counsel **Federal Election Commission** 999 E Street, N.W. - 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Washington, DC 20463

> Re: **MUR 5338**

Dear Ms. Smith:

Enclosed please find an executed Statement of Designation of Counsel on behalf of Empowerment for a New Century and its treasurer in connection with MUR 5338, designating my firm as their counsel.

While my clients have received the complaint, they require additional time to respond. Specifically, the coming holidays and resulting absences will make it difficult for them to take the steps necessary to develop and timely present their response. Accordingly, we request that their deadline for responding to the complaint be extended until Friday, January 10, 2003.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (202) 434-1654, or at the above-indicated address.

Very truly yours,

Brian G. Svoboda

Counsel to Empowerment for a New

Century

**Enclosure** 

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## STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

Please use one formifor each respondent

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The above-named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.  Autopio Rection
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